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§5-501.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a person may not dispense a controlled dangerous substance without a written prescription from an authorized provider if the substance is:

- (1) listed in Schedule II; and
- (2) a drug to which § 21-220 of the Health - General Article applies.

(b) A controlled dangerous substance to which subsection (a) of this section applies may be dispensed without a written prescription by:

- (1) an authorized provider who:
  - (i) is not a pharmacist; and
  - (ii) dispenses the controlled dangerous substance directly to an ultimate user; or
- (2) a pharmacist if:
  - (i) an emergency exists;
  - (ii) the pharmacist dispenses the drug under regulations of the Department on an oral prescription that the pharmacist reduces promptly to writing and keeps on file; and
  - (iii) federal law authorizes the oral prescription.

(c) A prescription for a controlled dangerous substance listed in Schedule II shall be kept on file in conformity with the requirements for records and inventories under § 5-306 of this title.

(d) A person may not refill a prescription for a controlled dangerous substance listed in Schedule II.

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